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SUBJECT: SOVIET DIPLOMAT ON PHAN HIEN VISIT AND US-SRV
NORMALIZATION

REF: A. TOKYO 12609; B. MOSCOW 16393 C. TOKYO 13153

1. DURING JULY 18 LUNCHEON CONVERSATION, SOVIET COUNSELLOR
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KOMAROVSKIY EMPHASIZED TO EMBOFFS THAT PHAN HIEN'S STATE-
MENTS IN TOKYO CONCERNING NORMALIZATION WITH U.S. SHOULD
BE TAKEN SERIOUSLY. WHILE KOMAROVSKIY HAD NOT MET PHAN
HIEN, HE HAD TALKED WITH MEMBERS OF ENTOURAGE AND CLAIMED
TO HAVE DISCERNED SINCERE DESIRE TO NORMALIZE. HE NOTED
THAT HIEN HAD DENIED SRV INTENDED TO IMPOSE PRECONDITIONS
TO NORMALIZATION. KOMAROVSKIY ACKNOWLEDGED, HOWEVER, THAT

HIEH HAD SEEMED TO INDICATE RECONSTRUCTION AID WAS STILL ENVISIONED AS PART OF PROCESS.

2. EMBOFFS ASKED KOMAROVSKIY TO COMMENT ON SIGNIFICANCE OF SRV'S NEW POLICY OF FRIENDSHIP TOWARD ASEAN WHICH HIEH HAD ESPOUSED HERE, AND WHETHER MORE FORTHCOMING SOVIET POSTURE MIGHT BE EMERGING. KOMAROVSKIY THOUGHT IT UNDERSTANDABLE THAT SRV WOULD WISH TO HAVE FRIENDLY RELATIONS WITH SOUTHEAST ASIAN NEIGHBORS, PARTICULARLY IN VIEW OF PROBLEMS WITH PRC. AS FOR SOVIET POLICY TOWARD ASEAN, KOMAROVSKIY SAID THAT HE WAS UNAWARE OF ANY SHIFT. WHILE NOT RULING OUT SOVIET REASSESSMENT OF ITS APPROACH TOWARD ASEAN, HE SAID THAT IF THERE HAD BEEN POLICY CHANGE, EMBASSY TOKYO HAD NOT BEEN INFORMED.

3. KOMAROVSKIY SAID SOVIETS CONSIDERED PHAN HIEH VISIT MAJOR SUCCESS (IN CONTRAST TO IENG SARY VISIT, WHICH HE HAD CHARACTERIZED AS CHINESE-MANIPULATED FAILURE), AND WERE IMPRESSED BY HIEH AS DIPLOMAT. (GAIMUSHO OFFICIALS WITH WHOM WE HAVE SPOKEN HAVE SIMILARLY HIGH REGARD FOR HIEH'S ABILITIES.)

4. COMMENT: KOMAROVSKIY WENT SUFFICIENTLY OUT OF HIS WAY ON SUBJECT OF US-SRV RELATIONS TO SUGGEST HE WISHED TO CONVEY MESSAGE, ONE THAT WOULD SEEM SOMEWHAT OUT OF CHARACTER FOR SOVIETS IN SHORT-TERM BUT PERHAPS MAKES CONFIDENTIAL

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